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TO: HENRY KISSINGER OSD Review Completed
FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT

1. THE SENATE PASSED THE HOUSE VERSION OF THE CONTINUING RESOLUTION BY 62-16. IT THEN ACCEPTED THE MANSFIELD RESOLUTION BY 40-35. MANSFIELD DID AN EXCELLENT JOB OF GETTING THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED, AND YOU MAY WISH TO SEND HIM A SHORT CABLE OF APPRECIATION. I WILL SUGGEST THAT THE PRESIDENT CALL HIM ALSO. THE HOUSE WILL PROBABLY VOTE TOMORROW ON MANSFIELD AND THE PROSPECTS DO NOT AT THIS POINT LOOK GOOD.

2. YOU HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED THE RELEVANT PORTIONS OF THE PRESIDENT'S PRESS CONFERENCE. HIS DELIVERY WAS VERY GOOD AND THE OVERALL IMPRESSION EXCELLENT. I THOUGHT HE HANDLED THE FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS PRETTY WELL, EXCEPT THAT I WISH HE HAD POINTED UP THE POTENTIAL UNDERMINING OF YOUR POSITION BY CONTINUED ATTACKS.

3. THE GIEREK SIGNING CEREMONY WENT WELL AND I BELIEVE THE POLES ARE EXTREMELY WELL-PLEASED WITH THE VISIT.

4. IKLE IS PLANNING A TOUR OF EUROPE FROM OCTOBER 26 TO NOVEMBER 5, "TO DISCUSS ARMS CONTROL MATTERS WITH U.S. AND FOREIGN OFFICIALS." THAT IS THE TIME DURING AND JUST AFTER YOUR MEETINGS IN MOSCOW. STATE HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO HIS TRIP, BUT IN VIEW OF HIS PROPENSITY FOR DISASTROUS STATEMENTS, LARRY AND I WONDER IF YOU WANT HIM TRAVELING IN EUROPE AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME. I WILL NOT, REPEAT NOT, TURN HIM OFF UNLESS YOU SO WISH.

5. REGARDING TRUDEAU VISIT, LARRY SAYS YOU HAVE A TRI-LATERAL COMMISSION DINNER ON DECEMBER 9. ON DECEMBER 10 YOU HAVE A CARTER BROWN CHINESE EXHIBITION DINNER MARKED WITH A QUESTION MARK. WOULD DECEMBER 10 BE ALRIGHT FOR TRUDEAU?

6. HAL AND I PASSED THE SALT NOTE TO DOBRYNIN. AFTER READING IT CAREFULLY HE POINTED OUT FIRST THAT THERE WAS NO REFERENCE TO FBS. HE THEN INDICATED THAT THE MLBM BAN WOULD BE A DIFFICULT POINT. HE ALSO ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION ON THE "BULGE" METHOD OF REACHING THE 1985 LEVELS, BUT DID NOT INDICATE ANY DISAGREEMENT. HE OBSERVED THAT WE HAD NO MISSILE SUBLIMITS AND THAT WE HAD GIVEN HIM ONLY ONE PROPOSAL RATHER THAN TWO OR THREE. ALL IN ALL, HE DID NOT APPEAR ESPECIALLY DISTRUBED BY ANYTHING IN THE NOTE.

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7. IN THE COURSE OF THE MEETING WITH DOBRYNIN, I TOLD HIM YOU WERE UPSET AT THE LEAKS OF THE VLADIVOSTOK MEETING. (THIS WAS BEFORE RECEIPT OF HAKTO 3). HIS RESPONSE WAS THAT THE REPORT SEEMED TO COME FROM LONDON, WHICH MADE IT LESS LIKELY THAT IT WAS A SOVIET LEAK. HE THEN SUGGESTED THAT, SINCE IT HAD LEAKED WE MAY AS WELL GO AHEAD AND CONFIRM IT. I THINK WE SHOULD NOT CONFIRM RIGHT AWAY, IN VIEW OF THE PRESIDENT'S PRESS CONFERENCE STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT. IN ADDITION, I THOUGHT THAT YOU WISHED TO WITHHOLD AND ANNOUNCEMENT UNTIL AFTER YOU MOSCOW VISIT IN ORDER TO RETAIN LEVERAGE OVER THE SOVIETS TO INSURE A SUBSTANTIVE OUTCOME OF YOU VISIT. IF THE LATTER IS NOT A RELEVANT CONSIDERATION, I THINK WE COULD ANNOUNCE AFTER A DECENT INTERVAL FOLLOWING THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

8. I DISCOVERED LATE THIS AFTERNOON THAT THE PRESIDENT WAS HAVING BREAKFAST TOMORROW WITH SCHLESINGER. I ASKED THE SCHEDULERS HOW IT HAPPENED AND THEY DID NOT KNOW. I ASKED RUMSFELD AND HE TOLD ME THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD HAD TWO OR THREE BREAKFASTS WITH SCHLESINGER AS VICE PRESIDENT AND HAD SAID HE WISHED TO CONTINUE THE PRACTICE. "IT JUST CAME UP ON THE SCHEDULE" RUMSFELD SAID. IT HAD NOT, HOWEVER, APPEARED AT ANY TIME ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADVANCE SCHEDULE. RUMSFELD SAID THE MEETING WAS HEAD TO HEAD. I TOLD HIM THAT THE PROBLEM WITH THAT WAS THAT FREQUENTLY DECISIONS WERE MADE AND THEN NEVER GOT IMPLEMENTED BECAUSE NO ONE KNEW WHAT HAD HAPPENED -- THAT I THOUGHT I SHOULD BE IN THE MEETING. HE ASKED THE PRESIDENT, WHO SAID THAT I SHOULD INDEED BE AT THE MEETING. I WILL REPORT THE RESULTS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING. 25X1

9. THE PRESIDENT, AFTER SAYING GOODBYE TO GIEREK, ASKED ME TO CONVEY TO YOU HIS VERY BEST WISHES.

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